

of 9/14/22 because 4 relatives were with him from Columbia, Pa. Henry C. was fishing 20 ft. from him. Remembers Applegate caught big fish. Doesn't remember its being weighed. Henry C. left beach 10:30 P.M. Mell left at 11 P.M. His home near Henry C. Saw light in Henry C's bedroom window as he passed. Did not hear any car leave Henry C's garage bet 11 P.M. and midnight because he was up until midnight. Path from S's garage to street leads past Mell's window. Mell corroborates Henry C's stmt that he was up at 5 A.M. 9/15/22 fishing on beach. (Times 9/3/26) 6:2

Mrs. Anna Evanson, Mell's cook, says she was up at daybreak abt 5 A.M. 9/15/22 and saw Henry S. out on beach. They both cast nets for mullets. (Times 9/3/26) - 6:2

For excerpts from stmt of Henry C. taken by Underwood, see Times 9/4/26 - 1:1

Wm. McGonigle, Phila. (Summers at Lavalette) made affidavit that he remembered fishing with Henry C. either Thursday or Friday of week 9/10/22. Couldn't fix exact date. Does not recall weighing of large blue fish caught by Applegate. (Times 9/5/26) - 6:4

Indicted 9/15/26 by April Grand Jury.

Mrs. Marie Demarest, Highland Park, N.B. (Tall woman, 45 yrs. old, lives on same block with Rice, Jr.) Surprise witness produced by Simpson before Grand Jury. Believed to have testified to seeing Henry S. in N.B. on morning 9/15/22. (Times 9/16/26) 1:8 & 2:4

Simpson says that the state has a witness who will testify to presence of Henry S. at murder scene and that he would not have asked Grand Jury to indict Henry S. unless such witness had testified before Grand Jury. Also states Henry S. made voluntary stmt, not under oath, differing as to events carrying on beach on night of 9/14/22 from stmts made by other witnesses. (Tms 9/17/26)

Arraigned today; pleaded "not guilty". 9/17/26.

Albert Schuffler said to have washed Henry S's car after 9/14/22; Ralph Helmuth interrogated for information regarding Albert Schuffler's whereabouts. (Times 9/24/26) - 48:6

Charles Garibaldi, owner of Meat Mkt in Lavalette, interrogated in belief that call for Henry S. from N.B. was rec'd at his place of business on 9/14/22. (Times 9/24/26) - 48:6

State will contend that Henry S. fired 4 shots that caused death and that throat of Mrs. M. was cut after her death by Willie S., other principal; contend Mrs. H. eye-witness with them. (Times 9/19/26) 1:8.

State investigators believe 4 accused gathered at Hall home for conference night of murder. (Times 9/19/26) 1:8

State's contention is that Henry S. fired the shots and that Willie S. cut Mrs. M. after she had died from the three bullets that entered her body. Also Rector had promised to abandon the infatuation when required to do so at the Stevens family conference. (this is contrary to the report of his previous refusal so to do). That Willie S. took the pistol to the scene, which fact was not known at the time to those who accompanied him or went there afterwards, and the state will seek to show that the letters, found neatly piled between the bodies later, had been shown to Rector and that this had provoked a quarrel. Theory is Rector finally defied those who confronted him and agreed to a divorce. This defiance, it was said by an investigator, brought the quarrel to a climax. The State's theory is that Willie S. produced a .32 calibre automatic pistol and that Henry S. seized it from him and fired it, first at Rector and then at Mrs. M., the shots fired at